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so that Tom might find rest and confort when he came home tired from his day's work. When everything myself in the woods, and resting for a time on the mossy rocks, dresmily watch the river singing alone lo it self in a happy monotone. Sometimes the school children would come trooping through the woods, filling the air with the music of their hapwith tangled locks and bright eyes, a motley assemblage, with rigged clothes and brimless hats and dirty faces, but a very joyous one. How they used to stare when they saw me, whispering to and nudging each other with wide open eyes; then; unresponsive to my friendly advances, darting off in pursuit of birds or squirrels, leaving my solitude as unbroken as before.

But the long drives with Tom were my chief delight. The brown little horse and open wagon were brought and away we would go, frolicking like two children, with Rover, the dog, following, and the horse shaking his wise old head in solemn disapproval of our proceedings. First we would visit the farm-house where Tom's father and mother lived, give and receive the news of theday; then off again-over the hills and through the woods. Memory still brings back to me the odor of the pines and again I breathe the sweet mountain air.

Our neighborhood was a very social one, and Tom and I were invited everywhere. Picnics, huskings, tea parties followed each other in quick succession, and I came to know the pleasant country people well. Still, there were times when I grew very lonely, with Tom away all day and no sound to be heard save the murmur of the river and the singing of I was never lonely again. What a with his funny little ways! I was death.

a time I heard nothing but the pour- turn; but he would not listen .said, in a cheerful voice. "The river the house, and he has returned for fer to have him here." "Oh, Katiel" her story when the door opened and I cried, excitedly, "do not leave me Tom came in. He was pale, but calm alone with the children. There sure and quiet. "Mollie, dear," he said, ly can be no danger!"

danger Mollie, and I want to avoid help and you must be ready when it Some one must go for Tom."

saw that the water had crossed the knew what I said. The river looked to the door almost every afternoon, take the children, but I will go Mol- window, saw eight or ten men guidlie, and bring help," she answered, ing a floating wagon. The water him be a good boy and take care of guided the wagon close under our

said, kissing me. "I will bring help soon." My reflections, when I was left alone, were not pleasant ones. I was too weak to be fully conscious of bouse with two children, with a raging torrent, rising higher and higher, at our door, filled me with terror. But I prayed for strength and courage as I tried to quiet poor little Robbie, who was badly frightened .might I lie in the arms of my Heav wonder he was to me at first, with enly Frther, peaceful, in life or in

almost afraid to touch him, for fear But I was not left long alone. Kahe would drop to pieces in my arms, tie soon returned, her clothes wet But I soon grew accustomed to him, and her cheeks flushed with exciteand many a frolic we had, while Tom ment. Her long hair had fallen sat by, laughing at us. "Really, Mol. and hung around her like a golden lie," he would say, I do not know veil. I had never seen her look lovwhich is the biggest baby of the two." clier. "Mollie, darling," she said, But he was very proud of us, for all eagerly, "help will soon come to us his teasing. A year or two after ba- now. Tom will be here with men by's birth, my sister Kate came to and boats, and all will be well."\_ as if meditating a plunge into the spend the winter with me. She was "Boats!" I cried. "Is the water high a handsome, high spirited city girl, enough to float a beat, Katie?" "Yes," power and no company was consider- above the fences by this time." I sat Stevens." I looked up, and saw Mr. ed complete without the beautiful up and looked at her. "How did Pierce in the window, holding the you generally expanded them." Mi-s Lucey. "Well, Katie," Tom you ever get to the factory, and why baby out to Tom. In the midst of used to say, "I need not have bought did you not stay there?" I asked .- my excitement I had time to wonder spairing lovers." But she was hard- "Mr. Piercel" I echoed, in astonish- darling, and I lay back, satisfied. them. Among her other admirers Katie, tell me all about it." "Well," The rain fell in torrents, the angry was a Mr. Pierce, a young lawyer she replied, demurely, "he was go- waters rushed around the bed in of city ground worth five thousand lately settled in the village and a ing to the river, and the river met which I lay, holding my baby in my dollars a foot, great favorite with Tom and me; but him; so there was a collision. But srms, expecting death each instant. I think that Kate teased him rather lie down, Mollie," she added, with a The gallant men struggled on, the worse than she did any one else. I change of tone, "and I will tell you water reaching their shoulders, ever often grew angry with the child; but all. I had not gone far on my way rising higher and higher. Fences, no anger could long withstand the before I found there was to be a young trees, fragments of every dechaim of her winning ways, and al- struggle. The water was already scription floated by us, impeding our though I began by scolding her, I above my knees, and the current so progress, threatening destruction; but med Apple. He says if squeezing generally ended by laughing at her. strong that I could scarcely keep my God, in his loving mercy, saved us. will do it, she will soon be cider. for some pleasure, with her eyes fence; but soon I had to cross the lower and lower, and the men were shining like stars, her cheeks like road, and I think then, if I had not enabled to draw the wagon straight ade ball, has been arrested for bearroses, and her face beaming with remembered you and the children, up to our father's door. mischief under her white hood. "I my courage would have failed me. I Tom carried me into the house, "I declare," exclaimed a slovenly came! Isaw! I conquered!" was her left my hold of the fence and step- where his mother and sisters were writer, "I wish I could find a pen motto, and she fully carried it out. ped holdly forward. Oh! how strong anxiously watching for us, and lov- that would just suit me." And in-I remember that a great deal of snow the current was. How the river ing hands attended to all my wants, stantly came the chorus, "Try a pig fell that winter, and as spring came roared around me, as if to mock my The baby escaped uninjured; but I, pen,"

with resolution. "I think that I threatened every moment to engulph will go to the factory for Tom," she us, we slowly fought our way back to is still rising, and I would much pre- help." Katie had scarcely finished coming to the bed and taking me in She was silent for a moment, and his arms, "we must leave this house then said, gently: "There may be as soon as possible. I have procured it, both for you and the children .- comes." "Tom," I cried, "I cannot go. Take Katie and the children As she spoke the roaring became and leave me." I was trombling more distinct, and, starting up, I with fear and weakness and hardly road and, like a great shining ser- to me like some mighty monster, pent, was crawling up to our very seeking to devour me. But Tom and windows. I gave a shriek of despair, Katie soothed and calmed me, and in "Go quickly!" I cried, hardly know. a very short time all was ready for ing what I said, "and take the chil- our departure. We soon heard a calmly; and placing little Robbie on reached their breasts, and it was with window. As I looked out, I saw that "Keep up your courage dear," she there was a bed in this new-fashion-

ed boat. "Mollie," said Tom, "you will have to jump from the window into the wagon. Courage, dear wife; the trial promptly rejoined: the danger; and yet the thought that will soon be over." The water by I was a woman, sick and alone in the this time had come in at the door, and was slowly, surely making its way from room to room. Fear lent me courage and strength, and closing my eyes, with a silent prayer for help, I jumped into the rocking vehicle below. How the water raged The baby slept on, calmly uncon. and surged about us! For a moment scious through it all, and it comfort. it seemed as if we must all go down. ed me to think that, as the infant But the men held on with united the birds. But after my baby came lay sleeping in my arms, even so strength and the wagon ceased to rock so violently.

Tom dropped a blanket, with which to cover me, and then jumped from the window into the water among the men. "Katie," he called back, "we will return for you and the children. Keep up your courage." "My baby," I screamed. "I will not go without my baby!" Tom tried in vain to quiet me! I would not listen. "My babyl" I cried. "I will not leave my baby!" And I sat up in the wagon, water.

Tom handed me my little blue-eved

on all the rivers and brooks became fear. Just at this instant I saw a the danger and excitement over, bevery much swollen; but our river had man walking through the flood to- came unconscious and for weeks my

go and watch." She left me, and for care of first." I still urged him to remonastery of Camenz, who succeeded ing of the rain and the roaring of the "Come," he said, "there is no time to in that high office the worthy Abbot river, that to my excited fancy seem be lost. The sooner you are out of Tobias, are old favorite and friend of ed to grow louder and louder. At danger the sooner will help come to the Protestant hero, whom, upon a last Katie entered the room. Her your sister." I yielded at that, and favorable occasion he had saved from face was very pale, but her eyes shone struggling with the dark water that capture by a party of foraging Croat horsemen. The king disliked the new Abbot as heartily as he had liked the old one; but having been hospitably entertained by him during the last visit he ever paid to Camenz, he deemed it fitting to recognize his host's attentions by some special mark of royal grace, and calling the abbot to his carriage window as he was about to drive away from the monastery gates, said to him:

"Ask me a favor."

"Sire," observed the Abbot, "our second base choir singer is recently dead. Doubtless your Majesty can dispose of many chorists in Berlin. Will my All-Mightiest, All-Screnest Monarch deign to begift us a second

The King, after a moment's reflection, replied:

"I'll send you one from Neustadt on the Dosse.'

It flashed across the Abbot's mind that Frederick had, some short time the bed with baby and me, she bade the greatest difficulty that they previously, set up an establishment for improving the breed of asses in the very town mentioned by him, and foreseeing what sort of bass singer the King's peculiar humor would prompt him to ferward to Camenz where with to recruit its choir, he

"Most Dread Sovereign, in token of our gratitude for your gracious bounty, and in accordance with the custom of our Order, we shall bestow upon our second bass the name of his exalted doner. He will be known in our choir as "Fredericus Segondus." The King made no attempt to re-

turn this dexterous home-thrust, but drove off in silence, which he maintained unbroken for nearly an hour, when, turning to his aide-de-camp, he dryly observed: "That is what one gets by joking

with fools." But he never again alluded to an

episode in which he felt he had been thoroughly worsted. It is a poor speller, who does not

have an i to business. Going the rounds of the press-the

As with a woman, so with the horse. His back hair is his mane

"Well, wife you can't say I ever contracted had habits." "No, sir; Mrs. Partington said that a gentle-

man laughed so heartily that she feared he would have burst his jocu-"I am satisfied with my lot," said

a real-estate owner who held a piece Brigham Young acquired the title

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The man who stole a mask to rep-

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never been known to rise very high ward me. As he drew near, I saw life was despaired of. Not until a ous fop to a sensible young lady, at and we feared no danger. My second that it was Mr. Pierce. I shouted to long time afterward was I able to the close of a prayer-meeting, at the ous fop to a sensible young lady, at and we feared no danger. My second that it was Mr. Pierce. I shouted to long time afterward was I able to same time extending his bent arm boy was born in March—a pretty, him to go back to the factory for hear Katie's story. Mr. Pierce had toward her. "Not of a gander," she boy was born in March—a pretty, him to go back to the factory for hear Katie's story. Mr. Pierce had toward her. "Not of a gander," she blue-eyed little darling—and the help; but could not make my voice been one of the helpers until he saw quietly replied, and walked home three for Augusta Maine. ["dec.10-ly happiness of our home was complete, heard above the turnoil of the water. Katie was to be left alone. Then he with her mother.